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Quarterly Issues Report, 10/01/2020 through 12/31/2020

There follow a listing of the most significant issues responded to by Station WSKG-TV, Binghamton, New York and WSKA-TV, Corning New York, along with typical and illustrative programming on these topics for the period October 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority.

QPTR Category: Abortion

NOLA: PNWE 001449

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend

Episode Title: Episode 49 Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 12/19/2020 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:09:21

A major battle is underway over abortion rights in Poland. The country's constitutional court, whose legitimacy has been questioned by some, has made it even harder for Polish women to get abortions. The move has been condemned by the European Parliament and human rights groups like Amnesty International. Special Correspondent Malcolm Brabant reports from the capital Warsaw.

QPTR Category: Agriculture

NOLA: MLNH 013078 Series Title: PBS NewsHour Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/16/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:04:19

North of the Arctic Circle, in the tiny Alaskan village of Anaktuvuk, one woman is trying to expand agriculture in a climate largely hostile to it. Nasaġraq Rainey Hopson has successfully grown fresh produce for her community for several years, using special structures that protect plants. But now, the pandemic has brought her efforts to a halt. Alaska Public Media's Erin McKinstry reports.

QPTR Category: Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction

NOLA: MLNH 013082 Series Title: PBS NewsHour Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/22/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:06:15

A historic settlement was announced Wednesday among the Department of Justice, Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family over the drug giant's role in the national opioid crisis. The CDC estimates that roughly 450,000 people died from opioid overdose between 1999 and 2018. But some critics feel the settlement missed the mark. William Brangham talks to William Tong, Connecticut's attorney general.

QPTR Category: American History/Biography

NOLA: SEDE 001706

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead Episode Title: Abandoning the Titanic

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/4/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary

Join a team of investigators as they search for the identity of the captain of a "mystery ship" that turned away from the "unsinkable" Titanic in its darkest hour, abandoning thousands of lives to the icy waters and their deaths.

QPTR Category: Arts

NOLA: !SKGCD 0302

Series Title: Chasing the Dream (WSKG) Episode Title: The Arts In Our Community

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 10/09/2020 8:30:00 PM

Service: WSKG Format: Other

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QPTR Category: Business/Industry

NOLA: MLNH 013077
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/15/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:06:21

In late February, when the pandemic was beginning to take hold in the U.S., President Trump and his team downplayed the risk to the American public. But a new report finds that key advisers to the president were conveying a very different message to other audiences -- and some financial traders may have profited as a result. Amna Nawaz talks to author and former investment banker William Cohan.

QPTR Category: Child Abuse

NOLA: MLNH 013095 Series Title: PBS NewsHour Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/10/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:06:07

Even with all that has been known about the Catholic Church's sexual abuse scandals, revelations about the role of Pope John Paul II in elevating a former archbishop accused of abuse caused shockwaves. A new report from the Vatican found two popes

ignored, overlooked for downplayed allegations against Theodore McCarrick. Amna Nawaz talks to The New York Times' Elizabeth Bruenig.

QPTR Category: Community Politics, Government

NOLA: !SKGDB 0003

Series Title: New York 22: A League of Women Voters Debate

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/13/2020 8:30:00 PM

Service: WSKG Format: Other

WSKG Public Media and the League of Women Voters of Broome and Tioga Counties presented a debate featuring candidates in the 22nd Congressional District. The participants were Anthony Brindisi, Keith Price, and Claudia Tenney moderated by WSKG News Director, Gabe Altieri. The debate was governed by rules set by the LWV, the candidates were asked about their qualifications, government policies, and voting histories. This debate was a partnership between WSKG Public Media, The League of Women Voters of Broome and Tioga Counties, SUNY-Broome Civic Engagement Center, SUNY-Broome History, Philosophy and Social Sciences Department, Binghamton University Center for Civic Engagement, and The Andrew Goodman Foundation Vote Everywhere Initiative.

QPTR Category: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

NOLA: SEDE 001805

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead Episode Title: Gangster's Gold

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/18/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Join three groups of treasure hunters, armed with modern technology and newly uncovered clues, as they set out to find the lost treasure of notorious Prohibition-era gangster Dutch Schultz and solve an 85-year-old mystery.

QPTR Category: Culture

NOLA: FRON 003718 Series Title: Frontline

Episode Title: China Undercover

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/10/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

A special undercover report from China's secretive Xinjiang region. Investigating the Communist regime's mass imprisonment of Muslims, and its use and testing of sophisticated surveillance technology against the population.

QPTR Category: Economy

NOLA: PNWE 001451

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend

Episode Title: Episode 51 Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 12/26/2020 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:02:10

As vaccines slowly start to roll out and 2020 finally comes to a close, there are glimmers that the COVID-19 pandemic may eventually end. But with lingering social, economic, and public health damage, PBS NewsHour Weekend is launching a series homing in on how one place -- Fairfield County in Connecticut -- makes its way back. Christopher Booker has more on our new "Roads to Recovery" series.

QPTR Category: Education

NOLA: MLNH 013069
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/5/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:03:22

In our news wrap Monday, some New York City schools will close Tuesday in areas where COVID-19 infections are on the rise. Gov. Andrew Cuomo issued an order affecting 100 public and 200 private schools, citing a lack of testing data. Also, a single fire north of San Francisco has charred 1 million acres, making it the state's largest ever. Some two dozen blazes are still burning.

QPTR Category: Employment

NOLA: MLNH 013126
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 126
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/23/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:06:57

Americans are living longer, with average life expectancy in the U.S. rising from age 71 in 1970 to age 79 last year, leading many to stay employed far past retirement age. Paul Solman reports on some of the oldest workers of all, and the lessons they can share, as part of our series, "Unfinished Business."

QPTR Category: Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

NOLA: NOVA 004716

Series Title: NOVA

Episode Title: Can We Cool the Planet?

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/28/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary

As global temperatures rise, scientists are exploring geoengineering solutions, from planting trees to sucking carbon out of the air to physically blocking out sunlight. But would it work? And what are the risks of engineering Earth's climate?

QPTR Category: Family/Marriage

NOLA: FIYO 000612 Series Title: Finding Your Roots

Episode Title: DNA Mysteries Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/20/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS Format: Other Henry Louis Gates, Jr. uses DNA detective work to solve mysteries in the family trees of actor Téa Leoni, and radio host Joe Madison, introducing each of them to parents and grandparents whose names they've never heard before.

QPTR Category: Health/Health Care

NOLA: WWIR 006022 Series Title: Washington Week

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 11/27/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:21:45

COVID-19 case numbers are hitting record highs as outbreaks are appearing nationwide right before the holiday season. With millions struggling, the biggest question is, what's next? The panel discusses what the future holds for America as vaccines arrive, and how a deeply divided Congress can impact future COVID-19 legislation.

QPTR Category: Homosexuality

NOLA: PNWE 001441

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend

Episode Title: Episode 41 Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 11/21/2020 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:05:35

According to a recent study, more than a third of kids in New York City's foster care system identify as LGBTQ. Most of those children end up in group homes and treatment centers, rather than finding permanent homes with families. Ivette Feliciano speaks with Mary Keane of You Gotta Believe, a New York City adoption center, about the challenges these young people face in the foster system.

QPTR Category: Housing, Shelter

NOLA: MLNH 013115
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 115
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/8/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:07:12

After being released from prison or jail, many people struggle to find housing. That in turn can prevent them from getting treatment for an addiction or from securing a steady job, and ultimately, staying out of jail. It's a situation now made even more difficult by COVID-19. Amna Nawaz reports on one woman's quest for housing in Austin, Texas, as part of our "Searching for Justice" series.

QPTR Category: Immigration/Refugees

NOLA: AMDO 003311 Series Title: POV Shorts Episode Title: The Infiltrators

Length: 90 minutes

Airdate: 10/5/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Meet two young immigrants who get purposefully arrested by Border Patrol and put in a shadowy for-profit detention center. Marco and Viri, members of a group of radical Dreamers, believe the best place to stop deportations is in detention.

QPTR Category: Media

NOLA: AMMS 003305 Series Title: American Masters

Episode Title: Walter Winchell: The Power of Gossip

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/20/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary

Meet the newspaper columnist, radio commentator and television personality who pioneered the fast-paced, gossip driven, politically charged journalism that dominates today. At his peak, his audience was 50 million. Stanley Tucci stars as Winchell.

QPTR Category: Minorities/Civil Rights

NOLA: VEJO 000000

Series Title: Vernon Jordan: Make It Plain Episode Title: Vernon Jordan: Make It Plain

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/28/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary

"Vernon Jordan: Make It Plain" explores Vernon Jordan's rise from the segregated South, his tenure as the head of several civil rights organizations, and his current position as a partner at a corporate law firm and financial behemoth Lazard. Jordan is one of the most influential African American thought leaders in America.

QPTR Category: National Politics/Government

NOLA: PNVO 000000

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Special: Election 2020

Length: 480 minutes

Airdate: 11/3/2020 6:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS

Format: Event Coverage

In a singular election cycle unlike any the U.S. has witnessed in recent history, voters around the country have turned out in record numbers to vote early, amid a pandemic, as President Donald Trump and former Vice President Joe Biden compete for the nation's highest office and Senate candidates in a handful of key races compete for control of the chamber.

QPTR Category: Nuclear Issues/WMD

NOLA: MLNH 013108
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/27/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:05:30

Iranian nuclear scientist Mohsen Fakhrizadeh was killed Friday when a truck laden with explosives blew up near a car that was carrying him and gunmen shot and killed him, Iran's state media said. But who was this man and who may have killed him? Nick

Schifrin spoke with Norman Roule, former national intelligence manager for Iran at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, to discuss.

QPTR Category: Poverty/Hunger

NOLA: !SKGCD 0303

Series Title: Chasing the Dream (WSKG)
Episode Title: Social Determinants of Health

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 11/13/2020 8:30:00 PM

Service: WSKG Format: Other

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QPTR Category: Recreation/Leisure/Sports

NOLA: MLNH 013125
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 125
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/22/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:08:28

It's been about two months since the NBA finished a delayed season that saw its players confined to COVID "bubbles." But with a new season set to begin amid a surging pandemic, the NBA now plans to allow teams to travel and compete in their home stadiums. Michele Roberts, executive director of the NBA Players Association, joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

QPTR Category: Religion/Ethics

NOLA: ORWO 000000

Series Title: The Ornament of the World Episode Title: The Ornament of the World

Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 12/8/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

The Ornament of the World tells the story of a remarkable time in history when the Muslims, Christians and Jews forged a common cultural identity that frequently transcended their religious differences.

QPTR Category: Science/Technology

NOLA: NOVA 004715

Series Title: NOVA

Episode Title: Touching the Asteroid

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/21/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary

If spacecraft OSIRIS-REx can grab a piece of an asteroid and bring it back to Earth, scientists could gain great insight into our planet's origins, and even how to defend against rogue asteroids. But NASA only gets three shots at collecting a sample.

QPTR Category: Transportation
NOLA: DRWB 000000

Series Title: Driving While Black: Race, Space and Mobility in America

Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 10/13/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary

Discover how the advent of the automobile brought new mobility and freedom for African Americans but also exposed them to discrimination and deadly violence, and how that history resonates today.

QPTR Category: War/Veterans/National Security

NOLA: FRON 003612 Series Title: FRONTLINE

Episode Title: Return from ISIS

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/15/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

The story of an American boy taken by his mother to the ISIS-controlled city of Raqqa. A special report three years in the making investigating how the family ended up in Syria, and what happened when they came home to the United States.

QPTR Category: Women

NOLA: MNOT 000000

Series Title: Not Done: Women Remaking America

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/27/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Not Done: Women Remaking American chronicles the seismic eruption of women's energy and anger in the last five yeas, and examines the re-energized, intersectional fight for equality. The film picks up where the MAKERS series left off in 2014, capturing this reich period in recent history- from Black Lives Matter to #MeToo to the US Women's Soccer team's fight for equal pay and much more- taking the measure of how much has changed and why. This story is told collectively: through the firsthand experiences and narratives of prominent and everyday women who are remaking culture, politics, and most radically, our notions about gender.

QPTR Category: Youth

NOLA: MLNH 013080 Series Title: PBS NewsHour Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/20/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:02:01

How are the pandemic, social isolation and remote learning affecting mental health among adolescents? Our Student Reporting Labs teamed up with Well Beings, a public media reporting initiative, to find out. Using a unique back-to-school curriculum, student reporters recorded video diaries documenting this historic year as it unfolds. Here is a sample of their experiences, in their own words.